TEXAS OPTOMETRY BOARD

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BOARD MEETING FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2021 333 Guadalupe Street, Room 400A Austin, Texas 78701

9:00 a.m. - Conclusion.

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Roll Call of Board Members.
- Minutes.
 - a. Discussion and approval of minutes from the July 30, 2021 meeting.
 - b. Discussion and approval of minutes from the August 27, 2021 meeting.
 - c. Discussion and approval of minutes from the October 6, 2021 meeting.
- 4. Board Chair Report. (Gutierrez)
- 5. **General Matters**. Discussion and possible action on general matters.
 - a. 2022 Board Meeting Dates. (Gutierrez/Parker)
 - b. Optometry School Liaison Reports. (Cornett/Schutte).
 - c. Board Approval of Experts Related to SB993. (Gutierrez/Cornett/Parker)
 - d. Request for Board Opinion on Light Delivery Device for Light Adjustable Lens. (Schutte)
 - e. TOB Strategic Plan. (Parker)
 - f. Jurisprudence Exam Update. (Gutierrez/Parker)
 - g. Annual Executive Director Review. (Gutierrez)
- 6. Public Comment (Time certain 10:00 a.m.).
- 7. Executive Director's Report. (Parker)
- 8. **Legal Report**. (McKinney)
- 9. Committee Reports.

Administrative/Licensing Committee

- a. Discussion and possible Board actions on Administrative/License Committee report and recommendations.
- b. Number of candidates receiving licensure.

Continuing Education Committee.

- a. Discussion and possible Board actions on Continuing Education Committee report and recommendations.
- b. Recommendations on continuing education course approvals.
- c. Recommendations on professional responsibility topics for 2022.

<u>Investigation-Enforcement Committee.</u>

- a. Discussion and possible Board actions on the Investigation-Enforcement Committee report and recommendations resulting from informal conferences.
 - (1) Case No. 2021-00039.
 - (2) Case No. 2021-00086.
- b. Discussion and possible Board actions on administrative penalties assessed by the Executive Director.
- c. Quarterly report on complaints and investigations. (Parker)

Rules Committee.

- a. Discussion and possible Board action on Rules Committee report and recommendations.
- b. **Final Adoption: 22 TAC 275.1 General Requirements**. Possible final Board action on revised Rule 275.1 specifically regarding the approval process for continuing education provides and courses as of January 2022.
- c. **Final Adoption: 22 TAC 273.4 Fees**. Possible final Board action on revised Rule 273.4 relating to fees collected by the agency.
- d. Final Adoption/Repeal: 22 TAC 280.11 Treatment of Glaucoma by an Optometric Glaucoma Specialist. Final Board action to repeal rule based on new authority in SB993.
- e. **Proposal of Rules related to SB993:** Discussion and Board proposal on new rules required by SB993.
 - a. Proposal: 22 TAC 277.13 Complaints Resulting From Glaucoma Treatment
 Preliminary Evaluation and Official Investigation.
 - b. Proposal: 22 TAC 277.14 Complaints Resulting From Glaucoma Treatment
 Use of Case Review Consultant and Expert Panel.
 - c. Proposal: 22 TAC 277.15 Complaints Resulting From Glaucoma Treatment Disciplinary Actions and Reporting.

Committee on Peer Assistance.

a. Discussion and possible Board action on report and recommendations from the Committee on Peer Assistance.

10. Quarterly Board Member Training.

11. Adjourn.

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